

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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A CAD TOOL VENDOR

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE SECOND OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments

Claims 26-39 are pending in this application. Claims 26-29 and 32 are amended herein to clarify Applicants' invention. Claims 33-39 are added.